

Please replace claim 3 with the amended claim 3 as follows:

- Sub B₁ > 3. (Amended) The fence of claim 1 and a first vertical post extending transversely relative to said rails, said rails engaging said second post.
- A₃

Please replace claim 7 with the amended claim 7 as follows:

- Sub B₁ > 7. (Amended) The fence of claim 4 and a third horizontal rail located above said upper horizontal rail, each of said rails engaging said first and second vertical posts.
- A₄

Please replace claim 9 with the amended claim 9 as follows:

- Sub B₁ > 9. (Amended) The fence of claim 8 wherein at least one of said parts of said third rail includes longitudinally spaced ribs, each adjacent pair of ribs defining a space therebetween, a said board fitted into a said defined between said ribs.
- A₅

Please add new claim 10 as follows:

- Sub B₁ > 10. The fence of claim 4 wherein each post fits between said opposing half parts of each of said rails.
- A₆

Please add new claim 11 as follows:

- Sub B₁ > 11. The fence of claim 10 wherein said lower rail carries said posts and said boards.
- A₇

Please add new claim 12 as follows:

- Sub B₁ > 12. A fence comprising an upper horizontal rail, a lower horizontal rail, boards extending between said rails, at least one of said rails having a separate opposing half parts, each of said parts including a complimentary part of a cooperating fastener for securing the parts together about said boards, at least one of said parts having longitudinally spaced ribs, each adjacent pair of ribs defining a space therebetween, and a said board fitted into a said space with said parts secured together about said boards.
- A₈